

21 February 1955

Memorandum for: The Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Breakfast with the Eighty-Second
Republican Club on 22 February.

1. There is attached herewith a copy of the report on communism in Guatemala and Latin America prepared by Congressman Hillings as a one man task force of the Kersten Committee on Communist Aggression. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mr. Hillings is the present President of the 82nd Republican Club.

2. There is also attached herewith a special defector bill which Congressman Hillings introduced in the 83rd Congress and has now re-introduced. [REDACTED]

3. Congressman Timothy Sheehan, of Illinois, is also a member of this group and may be present at the breakfast. I am therefore attaching herewith correspondence which you have had with Congressman Sheehan regarding his allegations on security policies and possible pro-Communist sympathizers in CIA.

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Legislative Counsel

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20 April 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director and Deputy Director

SUBJECT: Briefing of Congressman Scrivner

1. Congressman Errett P. Scrivner is a Republican, from Kansas City, Kansas. He has been a member of Congress for thirteen years. He is the ninth ranking Republican on the House Appropriations Committee, and is the second ranking Republican on the Defense Subcommittee.

2. As far as we know, Congressman Scrivner has an excellent security record and is not unfriendly to the Agency. I briefed him several weeks ago, at his request, on the degree to which the Russians had used German scientists to further their military program. During the course of our meeting, the Congressman displayed a keen interest in the degree to which the Russians possessed scientific and technical know-how, particularly in the guided missile field. He is somewhat skeptical regarding statements that they are as strong as we are in this field.



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He would like to think that the United States is keeping ahead of the Soviet Union in the guided missile field, but he is very confused as to exactly where we stand, and he feels that the Congress has not been given a very clear picture on the matter.

3. In the light of the foregoing, I would strongly recommend that we be prepared to discuss Russian progress in the scientific field, and in the development of guided missiles in our meeting with Congressman Scrivner, in addition to the budget data which we are planning to give him.

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